(घ) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान खाद्यान्नों को खुले में रखने के कारण इसकी कितनी मात्रा क्षतिग्रस्त हुई और इस प्रकार कितना नुकसान हुआ;

(ङ) क्या सरकार गादामों की कम क्षमता और खाद्यान्नों को हो रहे नुकसान को ध्यान में रखते हुए गोदामों की संख्या तथा क्षमता में वृद्धि करने पर विचार कर रही है;

(च) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(छ) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं?

खाद्य मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री कल्पनाथ राय): (क) से (ग) 31.3.94 को स्थिति के अनुसार भारतीय खाद्य निगम के गोदामों के स्थानों के नाम, इनकी भण्डारण क्षमता और कैप (खुले में) भण्डारण में रखे गए स्टाक की मात्रा अनुपत्र में दी गई है। **[देखिए परिशिष्ट 171, अनुपत्र संख्या 39 (मूल संस्करण)]**

(घ) खुले अर्थात् कवर और प्लिंथ (कैप) के अधीन भण्डारित खाद्यान्नों के स्टाक को हुई क्षति और उसकी कीमत का ब्यौरा निम्नानुसार है:-

वर्ष	क्षतिग्रस्त मात्रा (मी.टन)	मूल्य (रुपये)
1991-92	304.9	5,83,315.08
1992-93	316.8	8,83,819,30

(ङ) और (च) भारतीय खाद्य निगम की आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान 6.62 लाख मीटरी टन की अतिरिक्त भण्डारण क्षमता का निर्माण करने की योजना है। इस योजना में पहाड़ी, पिछड़े, दुर्गम और भारी वसूली क्षेत्रों में भण्डारण सुविधा मुहैया करने के लिए विशेष बल दिया जाएगा। इसमें से मई, 1994 तक 2.68 लाख मीटरी टन की क्षमता का पहले ही निर्माण कर लिया गया है।

(छ) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता।

Derogatory Remarks Against Senior Officers

2499. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE:

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some derogatory remarks were used publicly by the Minister against Cabinet Secretary and Food Secretary recently; and

(b) if so, what are the conduct Rules under which they have been subjected to public humiliation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Price of Sugar in Open Market

2500. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI G.G. SWELL:

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) what was the price of the "free" sale sugar in the market in last August to November, the month-wise details;

(b) when the shortage of sugar was estimated for the current year;

(c) what is the total sale of sugar in the open market after the rise in prices in November to date;

(d) what was the month-wise sale price since November 1993 till date; and

(e) what is the total amount paid by the people by purchasing sugar at higher prices due to shortage?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) Month-wise details of price of free sale sugar (S-30 Grade) in the five principal markets of the country from August, 1993 to November, 1993 are shown in the statement-I. (*See* below).

(b) Sugar production in the current 1993-94 season had shown an increasing trend upto December, 1993. But keeping in vew the declining trend thereafter, it was anticipated that there would be shortfall in the availability of sugar as compared to the requirement to ensure adequate availability, as also to contain the prices of sugar, it was decided to allow import of sugar under O.G.L. on 15th March, 1994.

(c) Total quantity released in freesale from November, 1993 to August, 1994 is 58.84 lakh tonnes.

(d) Statement-II showing month-wise details of price of sugar (S-30 Grade) in the five principal markets of the country from November, 1993 to July, 1994 is enclosed (*see* below).

(e) It is not possible to quantify the excess amount paid by the people on account of shortage of sugar.

Statement — I

Range of S-30 Grade of Sugar Prices in the Principal Markets of the country from August, 1993 to November, 1993

Month	Whole sale (Rs./Qtl.)	Retail (Rs./Kg.)
1993		
August	1043-1190	10.70-12.50
September	1013-1185	10.35-12.50
October	1038-1190	10.70-12.50
November	1100-1220	11.30-12.80

Statement—II

Range of S-30 Grade of Sugar Prices in the Principal Markets of the country from November, 1993 to July, 1994.

Month	Whole sale (Rs./Qtl.)	Retail (Rs./Kg.)
1993		
November	1100-1220	11.30-12.80
December	1100-1301	11.75-13.50
1994		
January	1215-1330	12.00-13.75
February	1220-1330	12.50-13.75
March	1220-1360	12.50-14.00
April	1280-1453	13.00-15.00
May	1350-1630	14.00-17.30
June	1363-1590	14.00-17.00
July	1243-1570	12.80-16.40

Prices of Sugarcane

2501. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are 22 different prices of sugarcane available to sugarcane growers of the country at present;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices had recommended in 1983 to reduce this number gradually to a single all India price;

(c) whether Government had accepted this recommendation of the Bureau, if so, the present position in the case; and

(d) if not, reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI) :(a) The Statutory Minimum Prices of Sugarcane (SMP) which is uniform throughout the country linked to a basic recovery of 8.5% is fixed by the Central Government every year under the provisions of the Sugarcane (Control) Order, 1966. However, various systems are being adopted by State Governments in announcing State Advised Prices (SAP) of sugarcane and thus multiplicity of prices in respect of SAP of sugarcane does exist.

(b) Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices had recommended in 1983 that the Statutory cane price should be uniform throughout India linked to sugar recovery.

(c) A uniform Statutory Minimum Price is being fixed by the Central Government which is linked to a basic recovery of 8.5 percent and proportionate premium is allowed for every 0.1 percent increase in recovery above that level.

(d) Does not arise.

Engagement of Foreign Coaches

2502. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of disciplines for which Government are engaging foreign coaches;

(b) whether it is a fact that such foreign coaches are engaged on short term basis; and

(c) whether Government have got any schemes for sending Indian coaches abroad for undergoing training in specialised programmes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) (SHRI MUKUL WASNIK) :(a) Presently, foreign coaches are being engaged for the following disciplines:

(1) Archery (2) Athletics

(3) Boxing (4) Cycling